

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
Agricultural Marketing Service  
Fruit and Vegetable Programs  
Processed Products Branch

GENERAL MEMORANDUM NO. 12  
January 2004

Supersedes Memorandum Dated July 1996
--

**SUBJECT: Fee for Processed Products Branch Audit Programs Not Covered by Other General Memoranda**

**To:** All Interested Applicants

The Processed Products Branch Audit Programs that are not covered by other General Memoranda will be \$75.00 per hour effective January 31, 2004.

The audit fee of \$75.00 per hour will be charged for time in:

1. Preparing for the audit;
2. Traveling to and from the audit site;
3. Conducting the audit;
4. Preparing the report; and
5. Coordinating the audit.

The fee also includes associated Agency costs for auditor's training, transportation costs, and per diem costs.

If audits are requested outside the Continental United States (OCONUS), then actual travel costs will be charged in addition to the hourly fee.

Please note that the above fee does not include fees for Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) laboratory analyses. A listing of fees for AMS laboratory analyses may be obtained from the Science and Technology Programs, AMS, USDA, STOP 0204, Room 3507, South Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250, telephone (202) 720-5231, fax (202) 720-6496.

The implementation of this fee is in accordance with Title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 52.51, as amended.

Questions relating to this fee and related services should be directed to Chief, Processed Products Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, AMS, USDA, STOP 0247, Room 0726 South Building, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250-0247, telephone (202) 720-4693, fax (202) 690-1527.

Terry B. Bane  
Branch Chief

Distribution: B  
Agriculture: Washington